

**HOUSE COATS
LOUNGING ROBES,
BATH ROBES,
MACINTOSHES,
New lines to show.
GARDINER & BAXTER.**

THEY ALL ARE GLAD

To Receive the Provisions and
Clothing

DONATED BY THE GENEROUS

Yesterday's Relief Went to the Duly
Grateful—The Receipts to The Herald
Fund—Progress Reported.

Yesterday's contribution to the Heralded Relief Fund were numerous and gratifying. Early in the morning several unknown Samaritans brought parcels of clothing and baskets of provisions, leaving the store rooms before their names could be obtained. The money donations were generous.

The Rev. Mr. Frye was on hand before 9 o'clock, his face radiant with satisfaction. The Security Parcel Delivery company again tendered the free use of one of its wagons and a load was soon despatched to the homes of the needy. Mr. Frye accompanied by the driver visited several God-forsaken homes where the misery was intensified by squalor and sickness. The relief extended in each case was received with grateful surprise, for the sufferers were in ignorance of the work being done for their relief.

Grateful Beyond Expression.

An old woman, clad in rags, her face shriveled and shrunken by pinching poverty, looked up from a couch upon which her wasted frame was slowly yielding to the ravages of disease, and in a voice tremulous with doubt and expectation feebly asked:

"Please sir, are you going to leave me those potatoes?"

"Yes," replied the minister.

"Heaven bless you, sir, heaven bless you. I have not tasted a potato in six long weeks and I know they will taste, Oh, so sweet."

Here a can of fruit, some apples, bread and pork were brought in.

"God be praised," was all she said, and sank back on her worn and faded couch too exhausted and too overjoyed to speak for a few minutes.

"Where did all this come from?" she finally ventured.

"From the Herald relief fund," Mr. Frye replied, "to which the noble and generous of the city are contributing with unselfish liberality."

"Tell me, Herald, to tell them more than I have had in the house to eat at one time in four months."

The value of the relief extended in this case did not exceed one dollar.

As Mr. Frye left the house the old lady told an ill clad youngster to run to the door and "tell the good man I shall pray for him."

Other places were visited until each call had been answered. In one or two instances relief was denied because the applicants were believed to be chronic and undeserving beggars.

An Old Man Clad.

An old gentleman, upwards of seventy years of age, tottering and infirm, came to The Herald office in the afternoon.

"Where is the good man?" he asked, laying stress on the "good."

The bookkeeper, in the habit of answering all inquiries for the editors with a nod in the direction of the editorial rooms, hesitated for a moment and then queried:

"Good man—why, who do you mean?"

"I mean the good man who is helping the poor."

He was escorted to the rear rooms where he told a story of hardship and suffering that would touch the flintiest heart.

"Here I am," he tearfully volunteered, "without a friend or relative in the city or a cent for fuel. I can work some in the summer. But in the winter I cannot go outside, for the cold and dampness breaks me down. I have seen better days. I do not want money and I do chafe for my eatin'. Look at these clothes!"—and he shook out a coat ragged and glazed by long wearing, exposing his trousers which were rent and torn and threadbare. His story was a pitiful one. When he went away he was clothed in a full suit of warm clothes including a hat and shoes. As he passed out of the door he turned and exclaimed: "I always thought that Grand Rapids folks were the best in the world—now I know it. God bless 'em—and God bless you gentlemen!" and he limped away as happy as a duke.

The morning the wagon will again go out in charge of the Rev. Mr. Frye accompanied by the driver whose services are donated by the Security Parcel Delivery company.

Further contribution to the stock of provision and fund for relief are earnestly solicited. Yesterday's contributions were

Monday.

J. H. Martin, cash.....\$10.00

Margaret B. McConnell.....5.00

A friend.....5.00

H. A. Brooks.....1.00

W. H. Powers, order for fuel.....5.00

E. J. Herrick, 3 bushels apples; Wm. D. Clark, 1 sack flour.....

Sunday.

Charles R. Sligh.....\$ 5.80

Saturday.

John Otto, cash.....20.00

Peck Bros., cash.....10.00

Herman & Co., order for fuel.....5.00

Miss Francis E. Pierce, cash.....5.00

W. B. H., cash.....5.00

This Herald, order for groceries.....5.00

A lady friend, cash.....2.00

A friend, cash.....2.00

A lady, cash.....2.00

A lady, cash.....1.00

W. C. Simpson & Sons, cash.....1.00

J. C. Simpson, cash.....1.00

Wm. Nefman, cash.....1.00

E. W. Batcher, cash......35

Total.....\$89.35

REMARKABLE OPERATION.

A Man Goes a Year On a Foot That is Amputated at Last.

John Vollpert, an employe at the Cappon & Berthel Leather company's office, had his left ankle injured about one year ago, and he has suffered considerable inconvenience from the injury.

He continued his work, however, until about two weeks ago, when he was forced to retire on account of the pain arising from the injured ankle. Dr. Detamp was called, and upon making an examination, discovered that the ankle bones were decayed and that several bones had become detached and were honeycombed. The surgeon decided that amputation was necessary, and yesterday after a consultation of surgeons had been held and his opinion was confirmed, the foot was amputated just above the ankle. Dr. Detamp said the fact of the unfortunate man's being able to be around with his ankle so badly diseased is something unprecedented in his observations as a surgeon of many years' practice, and he exhibited the amputated member to the fraternity at the meeting of the academy of medicine last night. Mr. Vollpert is a married man and lives near Harrison's Wagon Works. It is thought the patient will speedily recover.

HE WILL BE WITH US.

Representative Barkworth Cordially Accepts the Press Club's Invitation.

The arrangements for the Press club's celebration of Washington's Birthday are rapidly being made. Among the outside guests who will be present is the Hon. F. E. Barkworth, of the Jackson Patriot. He sent the following note to his friend and colleague in the last house of representatives, the Hon. A. S. White:

"I cherish so many pleasant memories of my brief stay at Grand Rapids last winter that I have been seeking an excuse to pay another visit to your city, and your kind invitation for the 22d it will give me great pleasure to accept."

"My acquaintance with some of the members of the Press Club, together with the kind treatment accorded me by the press of your city, without exception, will give additional pleasure to the visit. I shall be glad if you will send me a program when the same is completed."

A letter was also received yesterday from Opie Reed announcing that on account of a contemplated trip to the Hot Springs he will be unable to be present. He expresses his regrets and promises to visit the club later on.

RUSSELL WILL BE HERE.

The Ladies by Active Work Have Secured Edmund Russell.

Up to last evening the ladies who have had charge of the matter of securing three lectures on personal culture and art criticism by Edmund Russell, had sold about 100 tickets at \$2 each. At least 200 at that price are necessary to pay expenses, but the ladies are so confident that the balance will be sold, that Mrs. Uhl last night telegraphed Mr. Russell to come. He will be here today; and the first lecture will be given in the Ladies' Literary club rooms tomorrow afternoon on "Personal Culture." Following is a synopsis of the lecture: The teachings of Delia—The science, art and philosophy of expressions—What awkwardness is, what prevents it, what removes it—Self-consciousness or self-control—Nervousness of face and body—How to carry the carriage of the body—The arms—Walking—The bows of queens—The box of the queen of Italy—Society manners—The tailor-made girl. Mr. Russell will give private lessons during his spare time while he remains in the city.

ATHLETIC CLUB'S ANNUAL.

It Elects Officers and Starts a Powerful Tog of War Team.

The Grand Rapids Independent Athletic club held its annual meeting in its club rooms last evening and elected officers as follows:

President—Edward Smith.

Vice President—John J. Fallon.

Financial Secretary—Paul Rademaker.

Recording secretary—Ernest Bailey.

Sergeant-at-arms—Orin Krugger.

The club voted in six new members, including Prof. Mike Dwyer, of the Owashtong club, making the membership now seventy. Seventy-five is the limit. A move was started to reorganize the tog of war team, and the club expects by spring to have a team that will pull against anything in the country. W. H. Treadwell, who was anchor in the Owashtong team when it won the championship in Detroit a year ago, will be the captain. All of the men on the team will be heavyweights, the average weight being about 215 pounds.

Tonight the club gives its first invitation dance at the club rooms, formerly Metropolitan hall, Pearl street.

MEDICAL MEN BANQUET.

At the Expense of President Shurtz of the Medical Association.

The Grand Rapids Medical association was tendered a banquet at the academy of medicine last evening by Dr. Perry Shurtz, the newly elected president. The regular meeting of the association was held and the customary routine business transacted. The principal feature of the business meeting was the annual address of the president. After the meeting had adjourned a banquet, served in Caterer Sweetland's best style, was spread before the members and guests. The physicians and surgeons enjoyed themselves until the stars waxed pale and symptoms of indigestion grew strong.

The following guests were present: Dr. George Ranney, of Lansing, president of the American Medical association, and Doctors Snooks and Osborn, of Kalamazoo; McDaniel, of Lowell; Yates and Kramer, of Holland; Godfrey, of Hudsonville; Strong, of Byron, and Jeffries, of St. Mark's hospital.

LIVED HIS ALLOTTED TIME.

Death of Harry Weston, Pioneer of Michigan and Grand Rapids.

The remains of Harry Weston, who died Saturday night, were taken to Howard City yesterday for burial. Mr. Weston had been a resident of Kent county for twenty-five years, and of Michigan for fifty-six years. He leaves a wife and six children. The children are Dr. Adolph H. Weston of Grandville, Wm. E. Weston and E. C. Weston of this city and Geo. E. Weston of northern Kent. Mrs. S. Demsey and Mrs. W. Simpson of Howard City.

His son W. B. Weston of the Evening Leader is in California as a delegate from this city to the International Association of Press Clubs. As it was impossible for him to return in time he will not be notified, and will know nothing of his father's death until he reaches Chicago.

City Pastors' Conference.

There was a small attendance at the pastors' conference yesterday afternoon, but those present were amply repaid for their efforts by the interesting paper presented by the Rev. William Denman of the East street M. E. church and the lively and profitable discussion which followed it. The subject of Mr. Denman's paper was "Will God Forgive Sin?" The conference was opened with prayer by the Rev. Joseph Kern, and President Mulhern was present as the presiding officer. At the next meeting the Rev. Dr. Mulhern will give an exposition of the passage of Scripture, "There is a natural body and there is a spiritual body."

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Drives Business Away.

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